

EDITOR'S REPORT FOR VOLUME 53

I am pleased to report that during 2006 the number of manuscripts submitted to *Madroño* was comparable to previous years, and that the California Botanical Society has published another volume of *Madroño* reporting research on the flora and vegetation of western North America.

During the last twelve months, 42 manuscripts were submitted. Of these manuscripts, 4 were rejected, 8 had major revisions requested, 22 were accepted with minor revisions, and 8 manuscripts are still in review. Of those accepted with minor revisions, 15 were published in this volume. The interval from submission to publication has been approximately one year long. During 2006, 3 book reviews and 10 noteworthy collections (revising the geographic range of 27 species) also were submitted, and 9 of these have already been published.

Volume 53 reports the research of 78 different authors. Two of these authors, William T. Doyle and Raymond E.

Stotler, produced an annotated species catalog with keys for the liverworts and hornworts of California. This catalog was published as Issue 2 of this volume.

Authors were aided by numerous reviewers (including Ken Kellman, Jim Shevock, Wilf Schofield, and David Wagner who reviewed all of Issue 2), an editorial board, Jon Keeley (Book Review Editor), Dieter Wilken (Noteworthy Collections Editor), Margriet Wetherwax (Noteworthy Collections Editor), Steve Timbrook (Compiler for Annual Index), Annielaurie Seifert and her colleagues at Allen Press, and the Executive Council of the California Botanical Society. All of these individuals deserve to be recognized and thanked for their contributions to *Madroño*.

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